Dual citizenship to NRIs

1398. SHRI M. M. JACOB: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations from Non-resident Indians for the grant of dual citizenship, and

(b) whether Government propose to grant the same to the NRIs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Constitution of India and the Citizenship Act, 1955 do not recognise the concept of dual citizenship

Anti-Mandal agitation

1399 SHRI M. M. JACOB. Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state·

(a) the number of persons who lost their lives during the anti-Mandal agitations in the country since the then Prime Minister announced the reservation policy; and

(b) what steps are contemplated by the present Government to bring peace and harmoney among the people?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) Information is being collected and will be laid on the table of the House.

(b) The matter is under judicial adjudication. The Supreme Court Vide their order dated 1-10-90 nave ordered that 'No other steps to implement the order of 13-8-90 shall be taken'. The court also appealed to all sections to maintain peace.

Creation of separate Ministry for Minorities

1400. SHRI M M. JACOB· Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal to create a separate Ministry for Minorities; if so, the details thereof, and

(b) if not, whether Government have received any proposal to this effect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WELFARE (SHRI RAMJILAL SUMAN)· (a) No, Sir.

(b) No proposal in this regard has been received recently.

Airlifting of executives of Doom Dooma India Ltd. from upper Assam

1401 SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
DR NAGEN SAIKIA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that senior executives of Doom Dooma India Limited, the tea company belonging to Unilever, UK, were airlifted from upper Assam without the knowledge of the State Government,

(b) if so, what were the reasons therefor, and

(c) what steps Government have taken to bring these people back to Assam?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) and (b) A few Senior Executives of Doom Dooma India Ltd. alongwith their families left Dooma for Calcutta by Company's chartered plane due to constant threat from ULFA activists who were demanding huge amount of money.

(c) The ULFA has been declared as an Unlawful Association under the 'Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act.' The entire State of Assam has also been declared as 'Disturbed Area' under the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act. and armed forces of the Union have deployed in Assam to aid the civil authority to deal with the situation.

Self-immolations for and against 'Mandal Commission Report

1402. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:
SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of boys and girls who self-immolated for or against Mandal Commission Report during the last twelve months, city-wise and month-wise; and

(b) what steps Government have taken to avoid the same in future?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) The information received from the State Government of Himachal Pradesh, Karnataka, Punjab and Rajasthan and Union Territories of Chandigarh and Delhi, is given in the attached statement. (*See below*) The information from the remaining State Govts./UTs is being obtained and will be laid on the table of the House.

(b) The Government order regarding reservation in jobs to socially and educationally backward classes has been challenged in the court of law The matter is pending before the Supreme Court The Court has directed that no steps to implement the said Government Order shall be taken till the pendency of the hearing excepting identification of the Castes to be benefited.

Statement

State-wise and city-wise statement of boys and girls who lost their lives in self-immolation/suicide during the anti-reservation stir against *Mandal commission report.*

Place	September		October		November	
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Himachal Pradesh						
Mandi . .	1			..		
Kangra . .	.		2	1		
Shimla . . .	..			1		
Karnataka						
Dharwad. . . .	..	1	..	..	..	..
Punjab						
Bhudhalada . . .	..	..	1	..	.	..
Ferozepur . . .	..	.		2		